

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Neil A. A. Simpson, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 3672

Examiner: Hoang C. Dang

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 20, 2006

In response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 20, 2007, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/CRUI/0010/WBP the fee of \$600 for three additional independent claims, along with any other fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 19 of this paper.